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## **NEWS RELEASE**

The International Bridge Administration today announced that one-way traffic crossings of the International Bridge at Sault Ste. Marie totaled 153,960 for the month of May, 2004. This represents a decrease of 2% as compared to May, 2003.

Traffic statistics for the month are as follows:

Vehicle Classification	One-Way Crossings	Change from May, 2003	Percent of Total Crossings
Full-Fare Passenger Cars:	77,114	1.6%	50.1%
Commuter Fare:	60,039	-7.3%	39.0%
Car Pulling Trailers	5,715	-7.0%	3.7%
Commercial Trucks:	11,092	7.2%	7.2%
Totals:	153,960		100%

Traffic for calendar year 2004 has totaled 691,167 vehicles; this represents an increase of .3% as compared to 2003. Since the bridge opened in 1962, over 75,825,000 vehicles have crossed the structure.

Manager's note:

The International Bridge is proud to host the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Bridge Walk on Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. The walk starts at 9 a.m. at the Lake Superior State University Norris Center in Sault Ste Marie, Michigan. Buses will run continuously to transport Canadian walkers from the west parking lot of Casino Sault Ste. Marie to the Norris Center. At the conclusion of the walk, buses will transport walkers back to the Norris Center. Please contact the Sault Michigan Chamber of Commerce at (906) 632-3301 or the Sault Ontario Chamber of Commerce at (705) 949-7152 for more information. Come join in the fun.

Sincerely,

International Bridge Administration

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